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SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF PRIVATE YACHT IN NIKOBAR ISLAND

REF: LOU COLOMBO 4086

1. NEW ZEALAND CONOFF HAS UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT THIRD SHIP, THE "SARRIE", REPORTEDLY WITH NZ CREW AND PASSENGERS, WAS ALSO SEIZED BY INDIAN AUTHORITIES IN THE NIKOBARS RECENTLY. STORY IS THAT THE LAST TIME "SARRIE" WAS SEEN IT HAD A LARGE HOLE IN ITS SIDE AS RESULT OF POLICE GUNFIRE. THIS IS POSSIBLY DUE TO CREW REPORTEDLY TAKING OFFENSE AT DETENTION AND THROWING OVERBOARD SEVERAL INDIAN AUTHORITIES WHO CONTESTED THEIR PRESENCE IN RESTRICTED AREA.

2. EMBASSY PROPOSES A JOINT PROTEST WITH BOTH CANADA AND NEW ZEALAND, IF IT IS DETERMINED NECESSARY AFTER COMPLETE REPORT FROM COLOMBO RECEIVED, AND IF STORY OF THIRD SHIP IS VERIFIED.

3. FOR WELLINGTON: CAN YOU CONFIRM ANY OR ALL OF THE "SARRIE" STORY?

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